

THE SET-UP

Why do we strive to know things?
Is learning and knowing things
merely about survival in this world
or the ladder of success? What is
success, anyway?

Evan ponders a few prominent life
tracks and raises a few assumptions
that help us explore the meaning
and purpose of knowledge.

all is gift

INSIGHTS ABOUT KNOWLEDGE**SO, WHAT NOW?**

Knowledge is often equated with power, a tool to wield and carve out our destiny in the world. Some understand knowledge, or knowing things, as a means to an end. Proverb 20:15 tells us, “Gold there is, and rubies in abundance, but lips that speak knowledge are a rare jewel.” This “rare jewel” is the person who is formed and shaped through a deep appropriation of the knowledge of God, of God’s design and ways in his world. The comparison word “rare” sets it apart from merely knowing things about the world, to knowing things through the lens of God’s perfection. **This knowledge is to be cherished for its precious beauty, a beauty that fills the earth and can be shared.**

QUESTIONS:

- 1 *Is learning a chore or a delight for you? Why?*
- 2 *Is God delighted when we seek to understand him and his world?*
- 3 *Are you excited to share what you have learned with others? Does what you share reflect the creative beauty and glory of God?*